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IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 1-18 (canceled).

Claim 19 (previously presented): A coupling device for a portable terminal to couple a first member and a second member to be relatively slidable and horizontally rotatable, one of the members having a keyboard unit section and one of the members having a display unit section in respectively separate boxes thereof, said coupling device comprising:

a main body having a long guide groove extending in a longitudinal direction, the main body to be attached to the first member;

a movable portion at least partly in the long guide groove and movable in the longitudinal direction and rotatable at a selected end position of the long guide groove, the movable portion to be attached to the second member to make the second member rotatable horizontally at the selected end position;

an arresting means between said main body and said movable portion to stably halt the movable portion at a selected position;

wherein said arresting means is composed of a pair of arresting plates slidably biased in mutually opposite directions to sandwich a portion of said movable portion, and;

wherein the arresting means for halting said movable portion at the selected position comprises a protruding portion attached to said movable member in a slidably biased state in one direction and a recess portion provided on said main body to receive the protruding portion.

Claim 20 (previously presented): A coupling device for a portable terminal to couple a first member and a second member to be relatively slidable and horizontally rotatable, one of the members having a keyboard unit section and one of the members having a display unit section in respectively separate boxes thereof, said coupling device comprising:

a main body having a long guide groove extending in a longitudinal direction, the main body to be attached to the first member;

a movable portion at least partly in the long guide groove and movable in the longitudinal direction and rotatable at a selected end position of the long guide groove, the movable portion to be attached to the second member to make the second member rotatable horizontally at the selected end position;

wherein said main body is provided with a pair of rectangular arresting plates each structured with central flat press portions and arresting means formed on end portions for halting said movable portion at a selected position, and an elastic means for slidably biasing said arresting plates against each other;

wherein said movable portion having a guide leg portion engaged with said long guide groove;

wherein said long guide groove having a guide recess portion for allowing the guide leg portion to rotate horizontally;

wherein said main body is composed of a case main body provided with the long guide groove, and a lid portion provided with a long guided hole communicating with the long guide groove, and;

wherein said movable portion is composed of a head portion to be passed through

said long guide hole and a guide leg portion to be fitted into said long guide groove, and a guide recess portion is provided next to said long guide groove for allowing the guide leg portion to rotate.

Claim 21 (previously presented): A coupling device for a portable terminal to couple a first member and a second member to be relatively slidable and horizontally rotatable, one of the members having a keyboard unit section and one of the members having a display unit section in respectively separate boxes thereof, said coupling device comprising:

a main body having a long guide groove extending in a longitudinal direction, the main body to be attached to the first member;

a movable portion having a guide leg portion engaged with said long guide groove and movable in the longitudinal direction and rotatable at a selected end position of the long guide groove, the movable portion attached to the second member to make the second member rotatable horizontally the selected end position;

wherein said main body is provided with a pair of rectangular arresting plates each structured with central flat press portions and arresting means formed on end portions for halting said movable portion at a selected position, and an elastic means for slidably biasing said arresting plates against each other;

wherein said long guide groove having a guide recess portion for allowing the guide leg portion to rotate horizontally;

wherein said main body is composed of a case main body provided with the long guide groove, and a lid portion provided with a long guided hole communicating with the

long guide groove, and;

wherein said movable portion is composed of a head portion to be passed through said long guide hole; a guide leg portion to be fitted into said long guide groove, a guide recess portion is provided next to said long guide groove for allowing the guide leg portion to rotate, and bearings to be attached to said guide leg portion of said movable portion to allow a portion of the bearings to be movable along said long guide groove.

Claim 22 (previously presented): A coupling device for a portable terminal to couple a first member and a second member to be relatively slidable and horizontally rotatable, one of the members having a keyboard unit section and one of the members having a display unit section in respectively separate boxes thereof, said coupling device comprising:

a main body having a long guide groove extending in a longitudinal direction, the main body to be attached to the first member;

a movable portion at least partly in the long guide groove and movable in the longitudinal direction and rotatable at a selected end position of the long guide groove, the movable portion to be attached to the second member to make the second member rotatable horizontally at the selected end position;

wherein said main body is provided with a pair of rectangular arresting plates each structured with central flat press portions and arresting means formed on end portions for halting said movable portion at a selected position, and an elastic means for slidably biasing said arresting plates against each other;

wherein said long guide groove having a guide recess portion for allowing a guide

leg portion of said movable portion to rotate horizontally;

wherein said main body is composed of a case main body provided with the long guide groove; and a lid portion provided with a long guided hole communicating with the long guide groove, and;

wherein said movable portion is composed of a head portion to be passed through said long guide hole, a guide leg portion to be fitted into said long guide groove, a guide recess portion is provided next to said long guide groove for allowing the guide leg portion to rotate, and a stopper protrusion provided in said guide recess portion to control rotation of said movable portion.

Claim 23 (previously presented): A coupling device for a portable terminal to couple a first member and a second member to be relatively slidable and horizontally rotatable, one of the members having a keyboard unit section and one of the members having a display unit section in respectively separate boxes thereof, said coupling device comprising:

a main body having a long guide groove extending in a longitudinal direction, the main body to be attached to the first member;

a movable portion at least partly in the long guide groove and movable in the longitudinal direction and rotatable at a selected end position of the long guide groove, the movable portion to be attached to the second member to make the second member rotatable horizontally at the selected end position;

wherein said main body is provided with a pair of rectangular arresting plates each structured with central flat press portions and arresting means formed on end portions for

halting said movable portion at a selected position, and an elastic means for slidably biasing said arresting plates against each other;

wherein said long guide groove having a guide recess portion for allowing the guide leg portion to rotate horizontally;

wherein said main body is composed of a case main body provided with the long guide groove, and a lid portion provided with a long guided hole communicating with the long guide groove, and;

wherein said movable portion composed of a head portion to be passed through said long guide hole, a guide leg portion to be fitted into said long guide groove, and a guide recess portion is provided next to said long guide groove for allowing a guide leg portion of the movable portion to rotate, and;

wherein said case main body and said lid portion are engagedly fixed with an arresting member having a C-shaped channel.

Claim 24 (previously presented): A coupling device for a portable terminal to couple a first member and a second member to be relatively slidable and horizontally rotatable, one of the members having a keyboard unit section and one of the members having a display unit section in respectively separate boxes thereof, said coupling device comprising:

a main body having a long guide groove extending in a longitudinal direction, the main body to be attached to the first member;

a movable portion at least partly in the long guide groove and movable in the longitudinal direction and rotatable at a selected end position of the long guide groove, the

movable portion to be attached to the second member to make the second member rotatable horizontally at the selected end position;

wherein said main body is provided with a pair of rectangular arresting plates each structured with central flat press portions and arresting means formed on end portions for halting said movable portion at a selected position, and an elastic means for slidably biasing said arresting plates against each other;

wher cin said long guide groove having a guide recess portion for allowing a guide leg portion of the movable portion to rotate horizontally;

wher cin said arresting means comprises first arresting portions composed of curves formed at one end portion thereof, second arresting portions composed of curves formed at another end portion thereof, and third arresting portions composed of recesses formed among the second arresting portions.

Claim 25 (currently amended): A coupling device for a portable terminal to couple a first member and a second member to be relatively slidable and horizontally rotatable, one of the members having a keyboard unit section and one of the members having a display unit section in respectively separate boxes thereof, said coupling device comprising:

a main body having a long guide groove extending in a longitudinal direction, the main body to be attached to the first member;

a movable portion at least partly in the long guide groove and movable in the longitudinal direction and rotatable at a selected end position of the long guide groove, the movable portion to be attached to the second member to make the second member

rotatable horizontally at the selected end position;

wherein said main body is provided with a pair of rectangular arresting plates each structured to have central flat press portions and arresting means formed on end portions for halting said movable portion at a selected position in the longitudinal direction, and an elastic means for slidably biasing said arresting plates against each other;

wherein said movable portion having a guide leg portion engaged with said long guide groove;

wherein said long guide groove having a guide recess portion for allowing the guide leg portion to rotate horizontally;

wherein said means for halting said movable portion at a selected selected position comprises a protruding portion attached to said movable portion in a slidable biased state in one direction, and a recess portion provided on said main body to receive the protruding portion.